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Re: United States Patent Application No. 10/653,609 Filed on September 2, 2003
Our Docket No.: 201PP029A
Customer No.: 37535

Dear Sir:

Attached is a copy of the fully executed Declaration and Power of Attorney form which was filed with United States Patent Application No. 10/653,609 on September 2, 2003

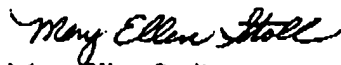
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Docket No. 201PP029A

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As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that my residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name, and I verily believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

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I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the attached or the above-identified application including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above. I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56(a).

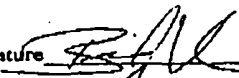
I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, Sections 365, 120 and/or 119 of all United States, PCT international and/or foreign application(s) listed below and insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in such prior application(s) in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, Section 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56(a), which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

Application Serial No.	Filing Date	Country	Status
60/408,793	September 6, 2002	United States	Pending

I hereby appoint as my attorneys and/or agent(s) Joe A. Powell, Reg. No. 28,108; and Thoburn T. Dunlap, Reg. No. 31,246; with full power of substitution and revocation, to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith. Address all telephone calls to Thoburn T. Dunlap at telephone number (216) 447-5918. Please mail all correspondence to Noveon, Inc., Legal Department, 9911 Brecksville Road, Cleveland, Ohio 44141-3247.

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